IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 4144 : PATENT APPLICATION

Examiner Benjamin H. Elliott :

In re application of :

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COMMUNICATION CONNECTION IN A

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.